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POLYMER GELS

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 28, 2006 (Paper No./Mail Date 032006), applicants hereby elect Group II (claims 113-119) as set forth by the examiner for prosecution in the subject application. Applicants, of course, reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications covering the subject matter of the non-elected claims.

Applicants believe that no extension of time is required, but expressly request an extension, and provide an authorization to charge our firm deposit account, should an extension be needed. Please debit any underpayments, or credit any overpayments, to firm deposit account no. 08-1641.

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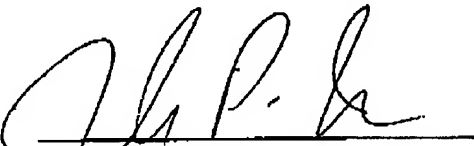
A first office action on the merits is awaited. It is respectfully submitted that the application is in condition for examination, and an early action on the merits is courteously requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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